

MARICOPA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR PROGRAM YEAR XXVII (FY2004-05) FUNDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO QUALIFIED APPLICANTS THAT MARICOPA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (MCCD) IS RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS UNDER THE US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) CDBG PROGRAM. FY2004-05 IS YEAR 5 OF 5 OF THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN.

WHAT IS THE CDBG PROGRAM?

In FY2004, Maricopa County anticipates receiving from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), approximately \$3,000,000 in its entitlement grant. These funds are allocated throughout the County in areas lying outside Phoenix, Glendale, Mesa, Tempe, Chandler, Gilbert, Peoria and Scottsdale for a variety of projects. Each project must benefit residents in the Urban County (all of Maricopa County excluding above-mentioned cities), address a high priority goal as identified in the 5-Year Consolidated Plan, and meet one or more of the National Objectives of the program as defined in the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. These objectives state that the activities must:

- a) principally benefit low and moderate income persons; or
- b) prevent or eliminate legally designated areas of slum and blight; or
- c) address needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

WHAT IS THE 5-YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN?

The 5-Year Consolidated Plan (CP) is a strategic planning document that includes priority housing and community development needs for all incorporated communities and all unincorporated areas in the Urban County. Specific goals and strategies have been identified by each community. The CP, including specific goals for your community can be accessed at www.maricopa.gov/comm_dev

WHO CAN APPLY?

Any person, organization or unit of participating local government may apply for these funds. Current subrecipients with more than 1.5 of their most recent Maricopa County CDBG grant award not expended at the time of application or who are not up to date with their monthly reports are **not** eligible for additional funds. Applications from ineligible applicants will **not** be reviewed.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications will be available on Monday, November 3, 2003, at the Community Development office. Applications will be limited to two (2) per applicant and will be prioritized by the applicant. Applications are available in hard copy and on disk and will be mailed upon written request. Incomplete applications will **not** be processed.

Note: Certification of completeness of application by CDAC member is not an endorsement of the project by CDAC.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Technical assistance to the applicants in completing applications will be provided by CD staff upon request at the below address. For more information regarding Program Year XXVII Applications, call CD at (602) 240-2210 or TDD (602) 240-6956.

WHEN TO SUBMIT

Applications must be received at the office of Community Development, 3003 North Central, Suite 1040, Phoenix, Arizona 85012-2906 by **5:00 p.m., Friday, December 19, 2003**. Faxed copies will NOT be accepted. Applications received **AFTER** that time **WILL NOT** be considered for funding. Incomplete applications will not be processed.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in Suite 610 of the Phoenix Corporate Center located at 3003 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ. Call (602) 240-2210 ext. 200 for an agenda and other information.

It is the policy of Maricopa County not to discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, handicap, familial circumstance or national origin. Persons with special needs for assistance in translation, or who are handicapped should contact MCCD at (602) 240-2210 ext. 200 or TDD (602) 240-6956.